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HONGKONG, JULY 6TH 1912.

We read in a Japan contemporary that as it is expected that the opening of the Panama Canal will bring about a great change in the world's marine transport business, the Japanese Department of Communications is directing close attention to the various schemes in contemplation by foreign steamship companies to meet the requirements of the new order of things after the opening of the Canal. The opening of the Canal next year is certain to make a considerable change in the existing arrangements of all mercantile countries, and Japan expects to derive considerable advantage from the opening to this new route to New York. In the course of a paper read recently at a meeting of the Royal Colonial Institute in London, Mr. VAUGHAN CORNISH, a friend of Colonel GUTHRIE, the chairman of the Isthmian Canal Commission, quoted the following reductions of actual steaming distances, mostly based upon the figures originally published on the authority of the United States Hydrographic Bureau: For Vancouver, and all other parts north of Panama on the West Coast of North America, a reduction of 8,400 miles to New York, about 7,000 miles to Montreal, and 6,000 miles to Liverpool. The reduction to New Orleans is even greater than that to New York. The reduction to Antwerp and Hamburg is nearly the same as to Liverpool. For ports on the West Coast of South America the reductions of distance vary from the above maximum at Panama to zero near the Southern extremity of the Continent. The average reduction is about 5,000 miles to New York and 2,600 to Liverpool. The distance from Yokohama to New York is diminished by 3,700 miles, the reduction to Montreal being about 1,000

miles less. Shanghai is brought 1,600 miles nearer to New York. The distance from Hongkong to New York is not reduced, but Manila is sixteen miles nearer by Panama than by Suez. The only part of Asia which is brought nearer to Europe is part of the Siberian coast, Sydney is brought 3,800 miles nearer to New York, by way to Tahiti, and about 2,500 miles nearer to Montreal. Omitting the call at Tahiti the reductions are 400 miles greater. The distance from Melbourne to New York is reduced by 2,600 miles *via* Tahiti, and from Wellington, N.Z., by 2,500 miles. The distance to Wellington is reduced by a further 360 miles if the call at Tahiti be omitted. Yokohama, Sydney, and Melbourne, at present nearer to Liverpool than to New York, will, after next year, be nearer to New York than to Liverpool. There can be no doubt that the amount of shipping which will make use of the Canal will be very great indeed, and, as Mr. Cornish remarked in the course of his paper, we may look forward with confidence to the establishment by the Great Britain and European Steamship companies of services from European waters to New York and San Francisco, *via* the Panama Canal and on to Asia, connecting perhaps, with other ships of the same companies at Hongkong, thus making circumnavigation North of the equator practicable for the first time. The leading Japanese shipping companies realise that the opening of the Canal opens out new opportunities for them. The Toyo Kisen Kaisha is looking to the development of its growing interests in South America, and there is talk of extending the present service to Brazil and Argentina. The Nippon Yusen Kaisha is contemplating a service to New York *via* the Panama Canal, and similarly several European steamship companies have under consideration new projects which the impending opening of the Canal has suggested. But, generally speaking, the shipping trade of this part of the world is not likely to be greatly affected by the opening of the Canal for some years to come. Mr. Cornish, to whose lecture we have alluded, is inclined to think it likely that the amount of shipping passing through the Canal at first may not be very great, "for these things require time and preparation"; but that it will develop into an important highway of commerce there can be no doubt. "The growth of the world's trade has gone on at such a rapid and increasing rate of late years that a canal which serves half the world is sure to be kept busy," and there can be no doubt that ultimately this Canal, although built primarily for a military purpose, will bring in a handsome revenue to the American Government. Whether it will be sufficient to provide interest on the enormous capital invested, as well as cover the heavy cost of its upkeep, remains to be seen. No hopes have been built on that prospect, however, so the promoters are not likely to be disappointed.

The body of a Chinese was found floating in the harbour on Thursday near Blackhead's Point.

We have received four excellent prints of scenes at the landing of the Governor taken by Mee Cheung. Another good one has come to hand from A Fong.

Mr. C. A. Carr, formerly tennis champion in Hongkong, is passing through on his way to Calcutta, where he is starting in business as a freight broker.

The Manila Electric Railroad and Lighting Corporation declared a dividend of 1 1/2 per cent. (\$1.50 per share) for the quarter ending June 30th, payable in New York on July 1st.

Mr. W. W. Campbell, for many years Kobe agent of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, has been appointed Chief Agent of the Company in Japan, in succession to the late Mr. B. C. Howard.

The many friends of Mr. N. K. Davidson, manager of Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co.'s Aerated Water factory, will regret to learn that he passed away at the Peak Hospital yesterday. The funeral takes place this morning.

It is announced in the London papers, in respect to the Chinese Imperial Railway's five per cent. Gold Loan of 1899 for £2,300,000, that 375 bonds representing £27,500, to be paid off at par on August next, have been drawn at the offices of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

Old residents will hear with regret of the death at Frankfurt-on-Main of Mrs. Francis, the widow of the late Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C., for many years leading Counsel in this Colony. Mrs. Francis left the Colony in 1902, after her husband's death, and has since resided with relations at Frankfurt. She had been in weak health for some years and passed away on the 6th June last.

Mr. J. P. Jensen has taken over charge of the Telegraph Co.'s Hongkong station, *vice* Mr. E. V. Jessen.

The Volunteer Corps orders' announce that Lieut. J. S. Gubbay is permitted to resign on leaving the Colony. C. S. M. F. O. Day is granted leave of absence for one year.

A Chinese was arrested on Thursday by L.S. Wills who was apparently suffering from beri-beri. He had a large poultice on each ankle, and when these were examined they revealed 50 rounds of ammunition in each!

At the Magistracy yesterday eleven men were charged with having stowed away on the s.s. *Empire*, three of the crew being charged with aiding and abetting, and ten men were also charged with having stowed away on the s.s. *St. Albans*. They were all remanded.

A Chinese schoolmaster was prosecuted at the Magistracy yesterday charged with having allowed mosquito larvae to be found on his premises. He pleaded that he did not rent all the premises, but his Worship pointed out to him that he should have taken steps either to have had the larvae removed or to have communicated with the authorities.

At the Magistracy yesterday a Chinese contractor was charged with having blasted stone in a quarry near the Hongkong Electric Light Station without taking the precautions necessary to render the operation safe. Mr. Hodgson, assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted and pressed for a \$100 fine, because the offence was a very serious one. After hearing the evidence, Mr. Melbourne imposed a fine of \$100.

The Full Court at Shanghai has dismissed the appeal of the Hankow Municipal Council against a judgment by the Consular Court in favour of H. I. Aiko, a Japanese teacher, who succeeded in a claim for damages for alleged ill-treatment by the Hankow Police. The appellants contended that the police in Hankow must be taken to be servants of the Crown, and that the Municipal Council was not therefore liable. The Court held that it was impossible to attribute to the Crown the assumption of responsibility for the conduct of a police force which is not under their orders or bound by any statutory obligations, and which may be composed of foreigners who are not responsible to the British Courts or bound by the law which they administer. The Court also held that the damages—\$3,000—were not excessive.

HONGKONG HARBOUR BY NIGHT.

Throughout the night
The noise of creaking oars strikes on the ear;
Sampan and junk
Go out with friendly breeze towards the West;
The cry of babes
And countless heathen tongues make
strange sound;
On many boats
The glow of burning flares, lighted to gods,
Throw in relief
A thousand straining forms; and when
the moon
Unveils her face,
Her radiance reveals a glittering sea
Of phantom sails,
Which pass us slowly glide out with the tide.

T. R. JOHNSON.

—T. P.'s Weekly.

FAR EASTERN TOUR OF BRITISH PEERS.

A party of British peers and other gentlemen has been organized to travel in the Far East. The cruise, it is understood, is the direct result of Lord William Cecil's University scheme for China. The party will embark on board the steamer *Dunrover Castle*, which will leave Marseilles on October 19th, and, after calling at various points *en route*, will arrive in Japan in the latter part of November. After "doing" Japan thoroughly the party will arrive at Chingwangtao on December 18th. They propose to take a trip to Shanghai, where they will see the Great Wall; and from thence they will go up to Peking, remaining in the capital for about three days. On their return trip they will touch at Shantung, Shanghai, Hongkong (including a visit to Canton), and India.

VESSELS BOUGHT BY N.Y.K.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha has recently bought two foreign steamers. One of these is a steel spar-deck steamer, the *Hilary* (late *Bonoeckhorn*), 1,498 tons gross, built at Glasgow in 1905 by Messrs. Russell & Co. This vessel was beached near Dover in March, 1911, after a collision in the English Channel, and after having being refloated and repaired, was sold for about 42,000 yen in September last to the Jitsam Shipping Co., of London, which has now sold her to the Japanese Company for about 54,000 yen. The other vessel is a steel twin-deck steamer, now being built by Messrs. Russell & Co., at Glasgow, to carry about 8,300 tons deadweight, and which has now changed ownership.

THE ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF H.E. THE GOVERNOR.

The Colony has not recovered from the shock of the attempted assassination of H.E. the Governor, and the subject not unnaturally forms the principal topic of conversation. Great sympathy is expressed for His Excellency and Lady May, and it is hoped that the unfortunate occurrence will not be allowed to mar the pleasure of their return to the Colony.

Rumour has been busy, and it is freely asserted that the man must have had some organisation behind him, but the fact of the man choosing the time that he did suggests rather that it was the action of some irresponsible individual who may have been seeking for notoriety.

PRISONER BEFORE THE MAGISTRATE.

At the Magistracy yesterday the man Li Hon Hung was brought before Mr. C. D. Melbourne on a charge of having attempted to kill and murder Sir Henry May, Governor of Hongkong.

When the charge was read over to him, prisoner replied morosely, in Chinese, "I did it."

Mr. Hodgson, Assistant Crown Solicitor, who appeared to prosecute, asked for a remand.

His Worship said that the case could be taken now or it could be taken by Mr. Irving. He asked how long the case would last.

Mr. Hodgson replied that it would not take more than an hour. He would like to have a date fixed as soon as possible and suggested Monday. He wished to have the case got into the next Criminal Sessions.

His Worship—He pleads guilty. I don't know whether I ought to put that down or not.

Mr. Hodgson—Oh, yes, your Worship, certainly.

The hearing was fixed for Monday afternoon at 2.15. The prisoner was removed in custody to a separate cell, where he is specially guarded.

ANOTHER ARREST.

A man has been arrested in Kowloon City having papers in his possession to be forwarded to Canton stating that the attempt on Sir Henry May's life had failed.

SHAMEN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Minutes of a committee meeting held 3rd July, 1912. Present:—Messrs. T. E. Griffith (chairman), C. Abrecht, L. H. Gilman, O. V. Lanning, R. C. Martin, and the Secretary.

Mr. F. R. J. Adams, the Council's Engineer, also attended.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

SHAMEN WATER SCHEME.

Mr. Adams submitted tenders he had received for the supply of material for steel jetty, and after a general discussion Mr. Adams was instructed to obtain from Messrs. Dodwell & Co. and Messrs. Siemens & Co. particulars of the shortest time they could make delivery; the firm giving the shortest time to be given the contract.

HEALTH.
The Medical Officer reports that during the past month there has been one case of dysentery and one case of typhoid fever. There had been no cases of Europeans being infected with typhoid for two or three years, and the source of infection in the case in question is believed to have been from bathing in the river up-country at the time of floods, when river water is very commonly highly polluted.

POLICE.
The services of Supt. Brimble have been dispensed with on the 22nd June, and Mr. J. Gray has been appointed on three months' probation.

DEFENCE.
The Chairman stated that he had handed over charge of the Government stores to Commander Veale, R.N., owing to the return of the troops to the Concession. He had also written H.B.M.'s Consul-General submitting for his consideration the necessity of picketing in force the Bund during the night, as at present the river side was in a defenceless state at night time. Owing to the return of the troops, plans for re-establishing the Defence Corps had fallen through, but a new scheme was being formulated.

R. T. MATHESON, Secretary.

A Chinese woman, who was knocked down by a private ricksha in Queen's Road, was sent to the hospital on Thursday suffering from injuries to her knee, but she refused to stay in.

The Sweet Young Thing: "How do you usually open the summer term?" The Old Grad: "With a corkscrew."

TELEGRAMS. TELEGRAMS.

PERPETUAL LEASE QUESTION IN JAPAN.

TOKYO, July 5th.
The perpetual lease question has been renewed by the distraint upon the proprietor of the Central Hotel, Taitokiji, for municipal taxes.

It is understood that the British Consul does not support the foreign attitude.

KAISER AND TSAR.

SPECULATION AS TO THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETING.

LONDON, July 5th.
The meeting of the Emperors at the Baltic Port, and its possible results are much speculated upon in Germany.

The *Koelnische* dismisses the suggestion that proposals will be made on the German side to end the Russo-Italian war, and emphatically rejects the idea that Germany will attempt to thrust a wedge into the triple entente. Germany only expects confirmation of the confidential Russo-German relations, the foundations of which were laid at Potsdam.

A message from St. Petersburg states that the Russian Press is 'ukewarm,' and opines that there is no reason to anticipate that France and Great Britain will be disappointed by the result of the meeting.

LATER.
A later message from the Baltic Port states that the Tsar has boarded the *Hohenloern* and greeted the Kaiser, salutes being fired.

The Kaiser subsequently visited the Russian yacht.

Count von Bethmann-Hollweg conferred with M. Kokovtzeff and M. Sazonoff for one and a half hours.

A State banquet was held in the evening.

THE FRENCH STRIKE.

A CAVALRY CHARGE AT HAVRE.

LONDON, July 5th.
At Havre the dockers on strike stopped a cotton wagon and scattered the bales. They were dispersed by a cavalry charge. The Messageries Maritimes steamer *Natal*, from Marseilles to Mauritius, sailed on the 1st July instead of on the 26th June, owing to the strike.

A message from Bordeaux states that the dockers there have gone on strike.

THE BRITISH WAR OFFICE VOTE.

LONDON, July 5th.
In the House of Commons after a quiet debate on the War Office Vote the Government majority fell to 48, the motion of Mr. L. C. M. Amery (Unionist) to reduce the Vote being defeated by 238 to 190.

Colonel Seely, replying to criticisms, chiefly those of Mr. Amery, maintained that there had been a great improvement in the expeditionary force and the difficulty of invasion was now greater. He urged that the Territorials be given the benefit of the doubt regarding their fitness to assist the Army, because the co-operation of the Dominions would be difficult to obtain if we acted on the principle that soldiers were useless unless trained for two years.

THE LIBERAL-LABOUR DISPUTE.

LONDON, July 5th.
Mr. Finney, the President of the Miners Federation in Staffordshire, has been unanimously adopted as the miners' candidate at Hanley.

Mr. Ernest Craig has been adopted as the Unionist candidate at Crewe, and Mr. Holmes (Railwayman) has been selected as the Labour candidate.

LORD KITCHENER.

LONDON, July 5th.
A message from Alexandria states that Lord Kitchener has sailed for London.

RAILWAY DISASTER IN AMERICA.

LONDON, July 5th.
A message from New York states that an express train travelling at full speed collided with the rear of a passenger train standing in the station at Corning. Forty persons were killed and 50 injured. The casualties were principally in the two rear carriages.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

IMPERIAL DEFENCE.

LONDON, July 5th.

The Committee of Imperial Defence had an important meeting preliminary to the discussions with the Canadian Ministers.

Great interest is being manifested in the visit of the Canadian Cabinet Ministers to London. Prominence is given to the prediction that the Dominion will offer two or three Dreadnoughts for the approval of the Admiralty.

Mr. Borden, the Premier, in a brief speech on landing at Avonmouth, emphasised the fact that Canada was prepared to take her full share in the glorious mission of the Empire.

Mr. Borden and other Ministers had an enthusiastic reception at Paddington.

LATER.

The Imperial Defence Committee met yesterday. There was an unusually large attendance, including Lord Fisher, Admiral Sir A. K. Wilson, and General Sir Ian Hamilton.

Two long sessions were held.

RIOTING IN BELFAST.

LONDON, July 5th.

The Unionist Club, parading at Belfast, started window-smashing and attacked Catholic schools, a Nationalist newspaper office, and a number of shops. The police were powerless.

THE TURF.

RESULT OF PRINCESS OF WALES STAKES.

LONDON, July 5th.

The Princess of Wales Stakes resulted as follows:—

Lance Chest	1
Prince Palatine	2
Fantasio	3

Ten ran. Won by a length and a half, three lengths between second and third. The winner started at 20 to 1 against, Prince Palatine at 5 to 2 on, and Fantasio at 100 to 9 against. Feu de Joie (H. Jones) also ran, but Lycan did not start.

THE OLYMPIC GAMES.

LONDON, July 5th.

Reuter's correspondent at Stockholm telegraphs that the American and British competitors are doing their utmost to promote good feeling and to wipe out the recollection of the disagreements at the last Olympiad.

In the final for the ladies' lawn tennis Broquedis, of France, beat Keering, of Germany, 4/6, 0/3, 6/4.

In the lawn tennis doubles Kitson and Winslow, of South Africa, beat Pipes and Zborzil, of Austria, 4/6, 6/1, 6/2, 6/2.

It was a most popular win. Great Britain defeated Denmark in the final of the football competition by 4 goals to 2.

THE PRIZE RING.

LONDON, July 5th.

A message from Las Vegas states that the fight between Jack Johnson and Jim Flynn for the heavyweight championship of the world was stopped by the police in the ninth round and awarded to Johnson.

Eight thousand spectators were present to witness the fight. Johnson was smiling and sarcastic and frequently offered his stomach to be punched. Flynn, who was badly punished, was frequently cautioned for butting Johnson. The crowd cheered the result.

At Los Angeles Wolgast defeated Joe Rivers in the 13th round for the lightweight championship of the world.

WIRELESS FOR BRITISH INDIA BOATS.

A Calcutta telegram of June 21st, says:—It will not be long before most, if not all of the British India Company's boats will carry wireless apparatus. Installations have already been made on several vessels. The *Rewa* and *Rohilla* have installations. All A and E class vessels are to be thus equipped, namely, the *Angora*, *Arankola*, *Aronda* in the former class and the *Edovana*, *Egra*, *Ekma*, *Elephanta*, *Ellenga*, *Ellora* and the *Eripura* in the latter class. It is understood that the *Tara*, *Taroba*, *Topilla* and the *Teetap* are also to be supplied. This means wireless communication as early as possible.

CANTON'S PAPER CURRENCY.

INTERESTING PROCLAMATIONS.

(Translated.)

A Proclamation by the Governor at Kwangchow (Canton):

By old-established custom small silver and notes are alike current in Kwangtung, but in the near past there has been a large increase in the amount of paper money in the city, while the quantity of silver coins has diminished, the result being that through all the country round paper is at a discount and silver at a premium. The General Chamber of Commerce and the Committee of Public Safety have petitioned several times that effect be given to their regulations for the use of silver and notes in equal proportions. These I handed to the Commissioner of Finance, who has reported favourably on them. They should therefore be put into effect experimentally, and the said Regulations are hereby published by Proclamation for general information. Hereafter they are to be consistently observed, and any intentional opposition will be dealt with by arrest, fine, and punishment.

IMPORTANT—A SPECIAL PROCLAMATION.

THE REGULATIONS.

1.—From the date of receipt of this Notification, all payments in connection with trade and commerce, and for all taxes and duties, shall be made half in silver coins and half in notes, and notes shall all be treated as on the 997 scale (the standard silver scale in Kwangtung: 1,000 of such taels equal 997 K'uping taels). People trading direct shall not plead previous practice and demand the whole payment in ready money; nor shall agents and middlemen cause disputes by alleging that their receipts were all in notes.

2.—In petty transactions, where the amount is over \$1 but under \$2, \$1 shall be paid in paper and the rest in silver or copper currency. Where the amount is between \$2 and \$3, \$2 shall be paid in paper and change given in silver or copper coins. Sums under \$1 shall be paid entirely in silver or copper—there shall be no dispute about this.

3.—In some businesses, as the rice trade, it is a fixed custom that payments should be made partly in dollars and partly in small change. Of the portion due to be paid in small money, half shall be paid in notes, and half in silver sub. coins.

4.—In all transactions relative to loans, hypothecations, outstanding debts, mortgages, etc., dependent on written agreements previously made, payment shall be made as required by the contract, and objections shall not be raised on the ground of the present Proclamation.

5.—In purchasing drafts, whether on foreign countries, on other provinces, or on the interior, where payment in small silver is required, half the amount shall be made up in paper.

6.—Receipts and payments by the Government are all on the 997 scale. When land tax, like, and other dues are paid, the sum shall be made up, half in silver sub. coins and half in notes, and the same rule will apply to sums due to be remitted to the Provincial Treasury by the various districts.

On the date of promulgation of these Regulations, the former rule, that (in payment of taxes) notes should be taken at a premium of 2 per cent., will be abrogated; it will be useless for merchants and people to ask to be allowed this premium when they pay their taxes.

7.—The army have already been given their pay for the current month (?), consequently the rule for payment half in notes and half in silver coins will be temporarily waived for the present month in the case of soldiers, but it will be put into effect next month.

8.—If, after the date of promulgation of these Regulations, any person wilfully infringes them; any person present at the occurrence may bring action against him, and if the charge is established, the offender will be arrested and fined. In the confines of the city, it shall be the duty of the police to take the matter up in an effective way; in the country districts, this duty will devolve on the local officials. But none of the military, police, merchants, or people shall bring malicious actions, with the object of causing trouble, under penalty of being put in the place of the accused.

A further Proclamation runs:—

A Proclamation has already been issued on the subject of the export of Kwangtung silver coins, and the Commissioner of Customs has been instructed to investigate and take action. It has come to light, however, that there are disreputable traders who are smuggling out Canton dimes to all parts, covering them on the surface with a layer of Hongkong coins, in order to hoodwink the Customs—they are altogether unprincipled and a peril to the community, for this is a matter of no small concern to the Canton money market.

In these circumstances, a further Proclamation is required; hereafter, when small silver (whether 10 cent or 20 cent

pieces) is exported, an officer deputed by the Canton Likin Office shall, in co-operation with the Maritime Customs, make strict search and then act as provided in the Regulations. Anyone found guilty of irregularities like covering the surface with a layer of Hongkong coins will, if the sum involved exceeds \$50, be liable to be severely dealt with, so that the scoundrels responsible for these abuses may find themselves stopped. No mercy will be shown.

In addition to instructions to the Commissioner of Customs at Canton and the Officer of Likin for Canton, this Proclamation is issued—let all reverence and obey.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Messrs. Vernon and Smyth in their weekly share report dated July 5th, state:—

The local market has ruled quiet throughout the past week, but rates generally continue firm, and in some instances advances have been established. No material change has occurred in the London Rubber market, and Fine Hard Para Rubber, with slight fluctuations during the interval, closes at 4/8 per lb. steady. The usual fortnightly Rubber Auction was held in London on the 3rd inst., 550 tons of Plantation Rubber being sold at prices ranging between 4/8 and 4/11 per lb., the closing tone of the market being firm. Discount rates are quoted at 3 per cent. (Bank of England) and 2½ per cent. (open market rate). Bar Silver closes at 253/10 per oz. forward, and Sterling T.T. at 2/4. Shanghai T.T. is unchanged at 72½.

BANKS.—Private advices again quote London at \$23 10s. 0d., the last rate per "Reuter" being \$24. Locally but little has been done, the market closing with sellers at \$22½.

MARINE INSURANCES.—Unions continue a neglected market at \$800 with probable sellers. Cantons have been booked to a fair extent at \$225, and more shares are required for Yangtzes are quoted in the North at \$195 at ex 73 nominal, and North Chinas at Tls. 130 buyers.

FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkongs continue to rule quiet but steady at \$350, also Chinas at \$132, no sales being reported in either stock.

SHIPPING.—Hongkong, Canton, and Macao, though undervalued at \$27 are probably obtainable at the rate. Indo-Chinas can still be placed at \$68, the London quotation remaining at 140/- middle price. China and Mandals have sellers at \$24 and Douglases at \$27. Star Ferries are wanted at \$38 (old) and \$25 (new) with sales reported in both descriptions at quoted rates. Shell Transports have declined in London to a selling quotation of 110/- with local sellers at 108/-.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars have again been the medium of a fair business at \$109, at which rate the market closes with buyers. Luzons are weak with sellers at \$32½.

MINING.—Troughs are wanted locally at 71/6 after sales at 73/8 and 72/6 London terms. Heavwoods have sellers for London account at 4/4 and a slightly lower rate would probably lead to business. Raubs are firmer with buyers locally at \$24 and for Singapore account at \$31. Chinese Engineerings close nominally at 36/-.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks, after sales at \$463 and \$47 are required for at the higher rate, and a slightly higher price would probably be paid. Kowloon Wharves have sold and continue in request at \$60. New Amoy Docks are firm at \$61 and Shanghai Docks at Tls. 48 with Shanghai a buyer. Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves are quiet at Tls. 92½.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands continue in request at \$105, but no sales are reported. Kowloon Lands are wanted at \$34, and West Points at \$56. Humphreys Estates have again been booked at \$8, market closing with sellers. Hongkong Hotels are quoted at \$112 and \$73 for old and new respectively, both with buyers.

COTTON MILLS.—Ewos have been booked in the North at Tls. 31, and more shares are wanted. Hongkongs close steady at \$5, at which rate a further extensive business has been booked.

MISCELLANEOUS.—China Borneo continue on offer at \$8, and there are also sellers of Pank Trams at \$11½, less at \$212. China Lights at \$24 after sales, and Watsons at \$5. There are buyers of China Providents at \$8, Electrics at \$22½, Ropes at \$19½, Powells at \$7, and Hongkong Electric Trams at 4/3. In the North Langkats have declined to a selling quotation of Tls. 65.

Memo.—Star Ferry Company, Ltd.—a final call of \$5, and \$3 premium (\$8 in all) per share (payable on the 1st August, 1912) has been made upon the holders of partly paid up shares of this Company. The register of transfers will be closed from the 27th July to the 2nd August, 1912, both days inclusive, and the call will be payable by the persons registered as shareholders on the 1st August, 1912.

LONDON QUOTATIONS.—The following quotations (middle prices) were received by wire from London this morning:—

Ledburys	53/8
Lingits	28/6
United Serdangs	101/3
Sapongs	23/6
London Asiatics	9/9
E. & L. Trusts	15/6
Rubber Trusts	8/9 premium
Tronohs	71/3
Hongkong Electric Trams	4/3
Shell Transports	108/9
Chinese Engineerings	35/-
Indo-Chinas	140/-

CHINESE TRADE REVIVAL.

ACTIVITY IN THE CENTRAL PROVINCES.

The Times correspondent cabled from Hankow on the 7th ult., as follows:—
I have just returned from a visit to Changsha, in Hunan, where I was very much impressed by the activity of trade and the excellent order maintained, thanks to the efficiency and tact of the Governor. The port has hitherto been confined to inland navigation, but this season British ocean steamers are being employed to cope with the increased exports. This province, in spite of its reputation for provocative independence, remained undisturbed throughout the Revolution, and it is generally expected that order will be maintained. As a proof of loyalty to the Central Government 300,000 taels were recently placed at the disposal of Yuan Shih Kai.

The spring trade at Hankow has been enormous, as accumulated stocks had to be dealt with. These having now been shipped abroad, trade is again normal and is showing every prospect of a continuation of that remarkable expansion which has hitherto characterized this fast-developing commercial emporium of Central China. Yuan Shih Kai has shown admirable qualities as a civil administrator, and is believed to desire only the establishment of a strong united Central Government.

THE TROOPS AND THE STUDENTS.

The disturbing factors are the Republican troops and the unfledged student classes. The moment is now favourable for the disbandment of the former, as the gradual return of normal trade conditions and the prospect of a heavy rice harvest will facilitate their absorption into the civil population. The disposal of the officers, however, presents a problem, as it is difficult to compensate them for their loss of position and emoluments. The students generally are opposed to foreign loan transactions, and are intensely critical of all the actions of the authorities. It is obvious, however, that the population are heartily sick of politics and desirous only of the restoration of confidence and the resumption of trade. Throughout the Revolution the losses of individuals have been enormous, and the immense majority, particularly those with a stake in the country, are opposed to political agitation likely to impede a settlement.

The situation in the Yangtze Valley generally shows marked improvement; though there may possibly be further disturbances at Nanking, where there is a heterogeneous collection of troops from distant provinces opposed to disbandment.

NEW PROVINCIAL LOAN.

A preliminary agreement has just been signed between the Robert Dollar Syndicate and Li Yuan-hung for a loan of \$3,500,000, bearing interest at 5 per cent. The loan is to be issued at 94, and to be repayable in 25 years, and is practically unsecured except by the guarantee of the Provincial Government. It is reported that Peking has approved. The object is the execution of public works in connection with the reconstruction of Hankow city. It is understood that the syndicate expect large profits from the supply of material. The transaction appears unfortunate in view of the fact that the expenditure will be left to inexperienced Chinese without foreign assistance, while the absence of conditions relative to an audit is a temptation to a reversion to the old methods against which international loan policy is firmly directed.

SHANGHAI TRADE.

Messrs. Libert & Co.'s Piece Goods Market Report says:—

Business remains in its same dull state, and whereas Manchester advances show strong prices and daily advancing deliveries, native opinion appears to regard the situation here with increasing despondency, the chaotic state of politics in Peking merely accentuating the general trade depression. Many native buyers are in fact inclined to stand aside from new business altogether, owing to the air of uncertainty which hangs over the future of the country, and to the frequent actual occurrences of trouble at short intervals in various parts of the country.

There is a slightly better demand from the Hankow market for a few small supplies, but the business is of a hand-to-mouth character and would have scarcely called for comment in normal times. Many of the outlets that figured very actively as buyers last year, such as Shantung and Chihli provinces, and which are good buyers as a rule, have been dead for months and show no sign so far of reviving. Much the same may be said of the majority of the trade centres of the country, more especially the remotest ones, their purchases being chiefly confined to yarn, the aggregate of deliveries of which does not fall very far short of last year's, whereas all other goods show very great falling off in deliveries.

A BRITISH EMPIRE TRADE MARK.

At the Congress of Chambers of Commerce of the Empire held in London on 14th June, a resolution supporting the establishment of a British Empire Trade Mark to denote goods manufactured or produced in the British Empire, was moved by Sir John Cockburn, on behalf of the Australasian Chamber of Commerce in London, and seconded by Mr. Thomas A. Hill, representing the Nottingham Chamber. The proposal was enthusiastically received and the resolution was carried with only a few dissentients.

Sir John Cockburn's view was that such a mark should be one of origin and not of quality. However much maligned, there was no mark of greater assistance to its founders than "Made in Germany."

Mr. T. Hill pointed out that if the mark was registered all over the world they would be able to defeat the frauds at present practised, and persons who wished to have British goods would be able to distinguish them.

COMPANY MEETING.

CHINESE ENGINEERING AND MINING COMPANY.

ARRANGEMENT WITH THE LANCHOW MINING CO. APPROVED.

An extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd., was held on the 8th ult., at Winchester House, E.C., for the purpose of considering a resolution approving certain arrangements which have been made between the Company and the Grand Mining Company of Poyang and Lanchow (the Lanchow Mining Company), and approved by the British and Chinese Governments, Mr. W. F. Turner presiding.

The Chairman, in moving the resolution, said the shareholders were asked to approve of an arrangement, with certain amendments contained in a memorandum, from the British Minister at Peking to the Chinese Foreign Office. In summarising the agreements he said the companies would keep their separate existence. Each Company would retain the ownership of its properties and would deal as its shareholders might think fit with the proportion of profits coming to it from the combined business. Neither Company would have the right to mortgage its properties without the previous consent of the other Company, and both Companies undertook not to take up any new enterprises, these being reserved for the Kailan Mining Administration. The management of the properties and business of both Companies in China would be in the hands of the Kailan Mining Administration, which would be an association without corporate existence, formed for the express purpose, and could only be terminated by the Lanchow Mining Company purchasing the property of this Company, but that purpose could only be effected at a just price to be agreed upon by both Companies.

In the working of the Administration there would be three authorities, i.e., the Chief Manager, the Deliberating Board, and the Director-General. The effective control would be in the hands of the Chief Manager, who would be their present agent and general manager. Major Nathan, who had been informed that the first Director-General would be Yuan Yuen Tai, the son of Yuan Shih Kai, the President of the Chinese Republic. The Company would go into liquidation, a new Company being formed.

The capital of the new company was to be £1,000,000 sterling in £1 shares, so that the shareholders of the present company would receive share for share in the new company. The new company would create debentures to the amount of £1,000,000 for the purposes of the redemption of the First and Second Debentures of the present company, amounting to £400,000, for providing £500,000 working capital to the Kailan Mining Administration, the payment of taels 1,500,000 to the Lanchow Mining Company to provide for its debts, a further payment of taels 500,000 to the Lanchow Mining Company, the payment of taels 500,000 to the Viceroy of Chihli as representing the Chinese Government, the payment of taels 1,000,000 to Chang Yen Mao in full satisfaction of all claims in connection with the present company and its affairs, the payment not exceeding taels 500,000 in respect of other liabilities in China, and the payment to the redemption of existing debentures, and the commission and charges for placing the debentures. The net profits of the Kailan Mining Administration were to be divided up to £300,000 as to 60 per cent. to their company and as to 40 per cent. to the Lanchow Mining Company, which would be equal in their case to £180,000. The profits in excess of £300,000, as well as profits arising from new business undertaken by the Administration were to be divided equally between the two companies. All disputes and dissensions with the Chinese Government relative to the formation and to the rights of the company were terminated. The arrangement disposed of all contested claims against their company in China. The preliminary agreement had not only received the approval of his Majesty's Government and the Chinese Government, but it had been approved by the shareholders of the Lanchow Mining Company, and on the 3rd inst. they received a cablegram stating that it had actually been signed.

The resolution was carried unanimously, and a further resolution was passed to wind up the company voluntarily.

BANK SPORTS.

The annual athletic sports of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank were held, under favourable conditions, on the Bank's ground at New Beekham on Saturday afternoon, June 1st. The usual programme of events gave rise to some close and exciting contests. H. K. Head, with four firsts, will be this year's holder of the challenge cup, his aggregate of points being far ahead of any rival. Boothby, last year's holder, did not compete, having left the service. Mrs. J. R. M. Smith distributed the prizes.

The annual sports of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China were held on Saturday afternoon, June 1st, when a number of friends journeyed to the bank's ground at Northfield, West Ealing, to witness an interesting programme of events. The challenge cup this year goes to W. Hart, who headed the prize list with 63 2½ points, viz. two first prizes and one second. D. R. Davidson made a great attempt to win the cup, and up to the very end of the afternoon he stood equal with Hart. To decide the winner it was therefore arranged that they should run another race—a quarter mile flat race—in which Hart came in winner by two yards. At the conclusion of the sports Lady Turner presented the prizes.

THE FAR EAST IN PARLIAMENT.

The following extracts are made from the Times Parliamentary report of the 18th ult.:—

THE GROWTH OF OPIUM IN CHINA.
Sir J. D. Rees (Nottingham, E., Opp.) asked the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs whether the Chinese Republic has yet formally adopted the obligations of the late Imperial Chinese Government in respect of the discontinuance of the growth of the poppy.

Sir E. Grey (Northumberland, Berwick).—The present Government in China is only a provisional Government, and as such has not yet made any official declaration of its intention to assume the obligations of the late Imperial Government. We have received assurances that the Chinese Government will do its utmost to enforce the suppression of the cultivation and smoking of opium, but at present that Government has not effective control of the cultivation in many of the provinces of China.

Sir J. D. Rees.—Will the right hon. gentleman continue to run against India, regardless of China's omission to perform her part?

Sir E. Grey.—The question is an exceedingly difficult one in the situation in which it now is. We are considering it in consultation with the India Office. Mr. T. Taylor (Lancs, S.E. Radcliffe, Min.).—Have we no moral obligations quite apart from the question of Indian and Chinese obligations?

MONGOLIA AND MANCHURIA.
Sir II. Norman (Blackburn, Min.) asked the Secretary for Foreign Affairs what were the exclusive privileges claimed by the Russian and Japanese Governments respectively in Mongolia and Manchuria; whether each of these Governments admitted the special claims of the other in these Chinese provinces; and whether the exclusive claims of either had been communicated to his Majesty's Government and were recognized by them.

Sir E. Grey.—Information concerning the special interests claimed by the Russian and Japanese Governments respectively in Mongolia and Manchuria will be found in certain treaties, conventions, and agreements between the Governments of China, Russia, and Japan. His Majesty's Government are unable to add any information to that contained in those documents, but I shall be glad to furnish the hon. member with a list of these documents mentioning the publications when they can be found, should he desire it. In reply to the second part of the question I would refer the hon. member to Article 1 of the Convention between Russia and Japan signed July 30th, 1907, which was communicated to his Majesty's Government. We recognize that Russia and Japan have special interests in Mongolia and Manchuria on condition that they are not contrary to the principle of the "open door" for British commerce.

THE CHINESE LOAN.
Mr. Ginnell (Westmeath, N. Nat.) asked the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs whether he had any official information showing that the six-Power group who proposed to finance China with the support of their respective Governments refused to accept the Chinese terms for a loan of less than £200,000,000, and that the Chinese wanted only a much smaller sum, and agreed to the conditions in substance save as to the gross amount; and if so, whether His Majesty's Government would continue to support the group in thus forcing China to grant them a monopoly in Chinese finance.

Sir E. Grey.—The difficulty is not about the amount but the conditions on which any loan, small or large, can safely be made. There is no intention of forcing China to borrow more than she wants or to borrow at all if she does not want to do so.

Mr. Ginnell said it was not alleged that this was the intention of the Governments, and asked whether the right hon. gentleman was aware that there was any such intention on the part of the financial group.

Sir E. Grey.—I am not aware of any such intention, or, indeed, of any very great anxiety to lend money under present conditions at all.

Mr. Ginnell also asked the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs whether he was aware that the only interest of Russia and Japan in the finance of the six-Power group was their power to veto the employment of foreign capital in the Chinese territories of Mongolia and Manchuria, except under the exclusive control of Russia and Japan respectively in those spheres of their respective pretensions; and whether Chinese interests in those territories were to be left at the mercy of those foreign financiers whose interest did not go beyond profit-sharing, underwriting, floating the loan, and manipulating the exchange market against China.

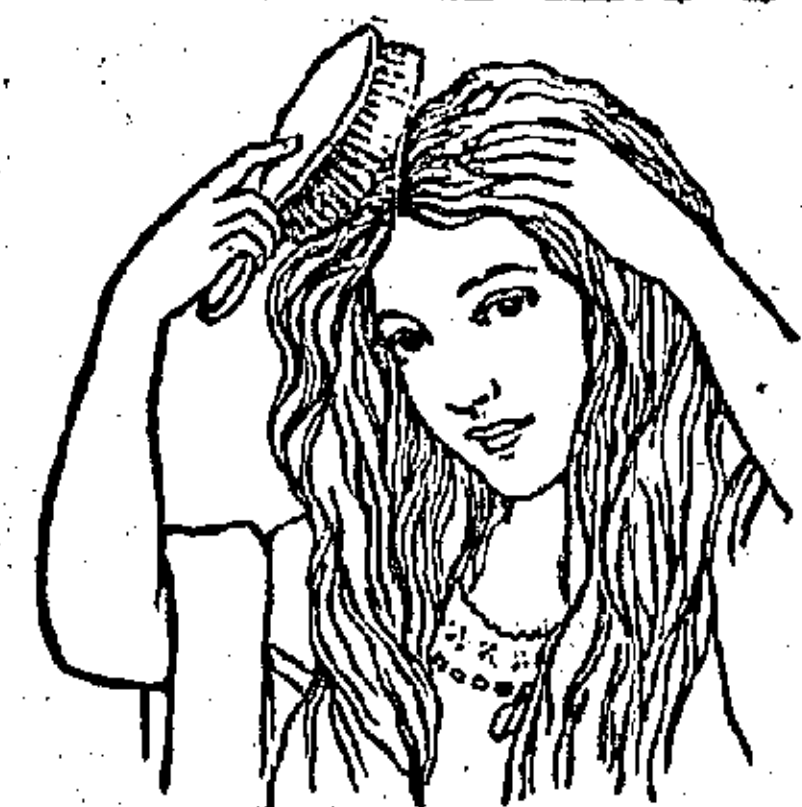
Sir E. Grey.—The conditions of the loan agreement are at present the subject of confidential negotiations, but, as has already been stated, the Governments concerned will not give their approval and support to any agreement which does not make the real interests of China a primary consideration.

THE FIGHTING IN TIBET.
Sir J. D. Rees asked the Under-Secretary for India whether he could give the House any further information regarding the state of affairs in Tibet.

Mr. Montagu (Cambs, Chesterton, Min.).—The latest news from Lhasa, dated May 28th, is to the effect that fighting continues incessantly, neither side showing any signs of capitulation. All attempts at effecting a settlement have failed. The Chinese garrison in Tengyeling Monastery is stated to have three Maxim and to be holding out well. The Chinese are surrounded by the Tibetans, who are in occupation of five strongholds on the north of the city, the buildings in the south are held by the Chinese. The latter have exhausted their provisions and are said to be in great straits for food. Many houses have been burnt by both sides, and Lhasa is reported to be reduced to one-third of its former size. The Chinese are stated to have shelled the Potala Palace, but without doing serious damage. The Tibetans have been besieging the Traphi Barracks, which are

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E. V. JENSEN,
Acting Superintendent.
Hongkong, 5th July, 1912.

NOTICE.

I HAVE To-day taken over Charge of this Station.
J. P. JENSEN,
Acting Superintendent.
Hongkong, 5th July, 1912. [886]

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS & CHINA OVERLAND TRADER REPORT

is now ready and contains—
Far Eastern News.
Leading Articles—
The Resignation of the Chinese Premier.

The Anglo-Japanese Alliance.
The American Presidential Campaign.
Welcome Home to Sir Henry May.
The Attempted Assassination of Sir Henry May.

Random Reflections.
Hongkong News.
Newsboys and Licences.
Kuling's Chinese Guard to be Changed.
Supreme Court.

Correspondence—
A Contradiction.
The Plague Epidemic.
The Accident to the War Junk.
Arrival of Sir Henry and Lady May.

Telegrams.
Shipping Notes.
Sanitary Board.
The "Quinta."

Association of Exporters and Dealers.
An Addition to the British Museum.
Dr. Nijhuis and the Shanghai Court.

President Yuan and His Detractors.
Siamese Brass Made in Hongkong.
Canton News.

Local Sport.
Action Against the British Council at Hankow.
The First Englishman in Japan.

The Expedition to Lassa.
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REGINALD F. C. MASTER,
Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.
Hongkong, 4th July, 1912. [882]

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Gas Office, Hongkong,
1st July, 1912. [886]

\$25 REWARD.

TO the Finder of one MIXED COLLIE PUP (Bitch) Missing from No. 6, Bowen Road on the morning of 20th June. Colour—Light Brown, with White Collar. Size about 2½ ft. long, 1½ feet in height. Face looks like a Fox.

OFFICE.
TOYO KISEN KAISHA.
Hongkong, 2nd June, 1912. [862]

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For the KAILAN MINING ADMINISTRATION,
W. S. NATHAN,
Chief Manager.
Accredited Agents at Hongkong and Canton.
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Hongkong, 1st July, 1912. [864]

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EDWARD OSBORNE,
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Hongkong, 1st July, 1912. [872]

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GEORGE HOGG, Manager.

9, Queen's Road, Hongkong, 2nd March, 1912. [844]

THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LIMITED

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Reserve Fund.....Yen 2,620,000

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K. TSUDZURABARA, Manager.
Hongkong, 1st May, 1912. [637]

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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
N. J. STABB,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1912. [20]

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N. J. STABB,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1912. [19]

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WM. DICKSON, Manager.
Hongkong, 12th April, 1912. [133]

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F. C. MACDONALD, Manager.
Hongkong, 29th March, 1912. [938]

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E. J. H. VAN DELDEN, Acting Manager,
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Hongkong, 17th May, 1912. [22]

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TAKAO TAKAMICHI,
Manager.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1912. [443]

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Hongkong, 6th July, 1912. [58]

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Hongkong, 26th June, 1912. [122]

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Hongkong, 22nd May, 1912. [123]

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Hongkong, 20th March, 1912. [481]

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KOWLOON MARINE LOT No. 48 with WHARF.

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HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 30th May, 1912. [869]

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Hongkong, 23rd May, 1912. [733]

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Hongkong, 1st July, 1912. [121]

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COMPAGNIE du VIN SAINT-RAPHAEL, Valence (Drôme-France).

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SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

THE COLLISION OF STARS.

There is good reason to believe that the bodies in space—both luminous and dead—occasionally fall together, and his conception of such an event was given by Prof. A. W. Bickerton in a late Royal Institution lecture. The collisions do not come at random. Gravity and other agencies are at work, and before two stars collide they come into each other's influence for hundreds of years, being drawn toward each other with constantly increasing speed. As the velocity would be proportionate to size, the collision would take place, in the same time—about three-fourths of an hour—for all bodies. With the collision, the two stars become a new one, the tremendous speed is suddenly converted into heat, and the explosive force expands the new star at the rate of millions of miles an hour. This, Prof. Bickerton believes, explains the origin of Nova Persei, which suddenly flashed out in 1901 with 10,000 times the brilliancy of our sun. This star became the brightest in the heavens except Sirius, and was the most brilliant new star that has appeared in 200 years.

A MEDICAL PROBLEM SOLVED.

A new infectious disease of unknown origin was reported in 1893 by Dr. N. E. Brill, observations having been made of 17 cases, and in 1910 one hospital in New York had 255 cases of Brill's disease. Though it was seen to be similar to typhus fever, which had been recognized in 1823, no proof of identity had been found. After an elaborate investigation, Drs. Anderson and Goldberger have now shown that the "new" disease is really typhus fever, which is evidently being brought to America by immigrants at a quite startling rate.

CORAL GROWTH.

The growth of coral under natural conditions has been lately observed on the Keeling atoll during a period of 100 days. The massive forms increased one thirty-seventh of their size, and the branched species gained 1.079 inch, or at the rate of 3.94 inches yearly.

HOW CELLULOSE BURNS.

Burning cellulose is one of the most difficult and dangerous kinds of fire to extinguish. An investigation by Dr. Panzer, of Vienna, has shown that, while the substance does not ignite spontaneously, decomposition continues after the flames of a piece of burning cellulose are extinguished, and does not cease even when the material is plunged into a vessel of carbonic acid or steam. Oxygen from the air not being necessary for decomposition, water and ordinary chemical extinguishers have little effect on celluloid fires. Decomposition takes place at temperatures between 220deg. and 385deg. F., and may be started by an open flame or even a hot stove. When slowly heated, the celluloid first softens, then blisters, and finally decomposes suddenly, sometimes bursting into flame. The products are gases, liquids and carbon. The white fumes from combustion form an explosive mixture with air, and the colourless gases contain poisonous carbon monoxide and nitrogen oxides. As these gases, explosive and irrespirable, are intensely hot, moreover, it is almost impossible for firemen to get near a celluloid blaze in a building.

NEW TREATMENT OF WOOLLEN GOODS.


After being made into clothing, woollen fabrics—even of fine quality—have shown a mysterious change, becoming streaked or swelled up in places. This is attributed to atmospheric influence, and Otto Huckscheer in Germany has been trying to prevent the alteration of texture and appearance by an even exposure of the new-made fabric to cold and dampness. After various experiments, in one of which he forced a blast of cooled and dampened air upward through the cloth as it was being rolled out, he devised a special apparatus for applying the treatment effectively and economically. As the fabric is passed through a long closed cooling chamber, it is moistened by a water-spray, and air from the cooling box is forced through it from a slit, then returned for use again. The cooling box has a worm tube with refrigerating brine.

AN ELECTRIC SAFETY LAMP.

The new miner's lamp of S. Cowper-Coles has two electric light bulbs, weighs 4½ pounds, and gives two candle-power for 10 hours. One bulb yields diffused light, the other casts a beam of light from a parabolic mirror. The golden-yellow colour of the reflector makes the light less trying for the eyes and softens the shadows. Special screens insure against ignition of explosive gases in case of breakage.

A NEW EGG TRICK.

In his chemical dosing of hens to increase the durability of their eggs, Prof. Oscar Riddle, the Chicago experimenter, has tried urotropin, sodium benzoate, and sodium salicylate. Each chemical was given to five hens, all good layers, in



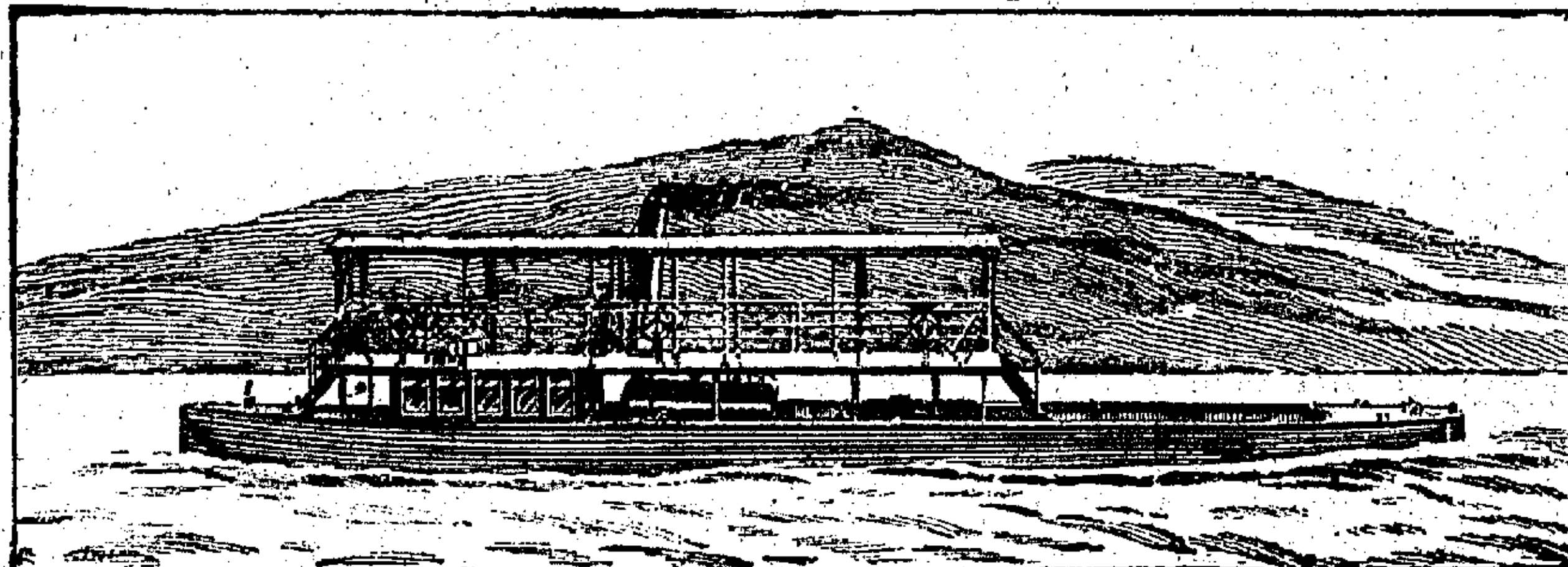
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two doses daily of two-fifths of a gramme for each hen, but the feeding was otherwise normal. The results are described as highly gratifying. The eggs of the treated hens have shown remarkably improved keeping qualities as compared with eggs from the "control" lot of hens, the improvement being most marked where urotropin was used. Unfortunately, however, in the trials so far made the texture and constitution of the white of the egg have been affected. The dosed eggs were noticeably changed, and in its present stage the experiment is one of promising possibilities rather than accomplished results.

BETTER NAMES FOR ALLOYS.

The need of a more accurate classification of alloys is being felt by British metallurgists. Taking "brass" and "bronze" as an illustration at a recent meeting of the Institute of Metals, Dr. A. Rosenhain suggested that a mixture containing chiefly copper and tin should be designated as "brass," and one having chiefly copper and tin should be known as "bronze." This would give a clearer idea of the character of various alloys than is usually obtained. When a third metal is present in appreciable quantity, its name would be added, and an alloy of copper and zinc containing a little manganese would be called "manganese brass."

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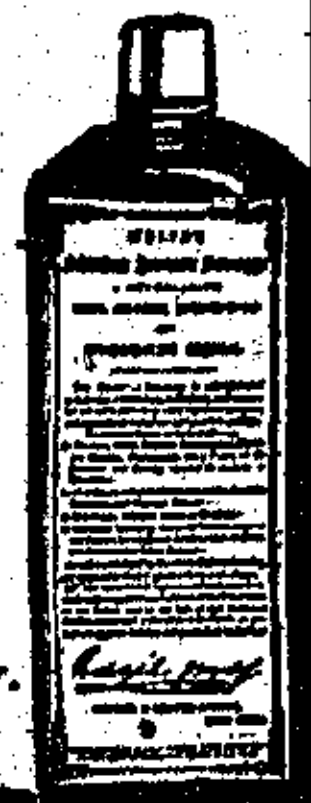
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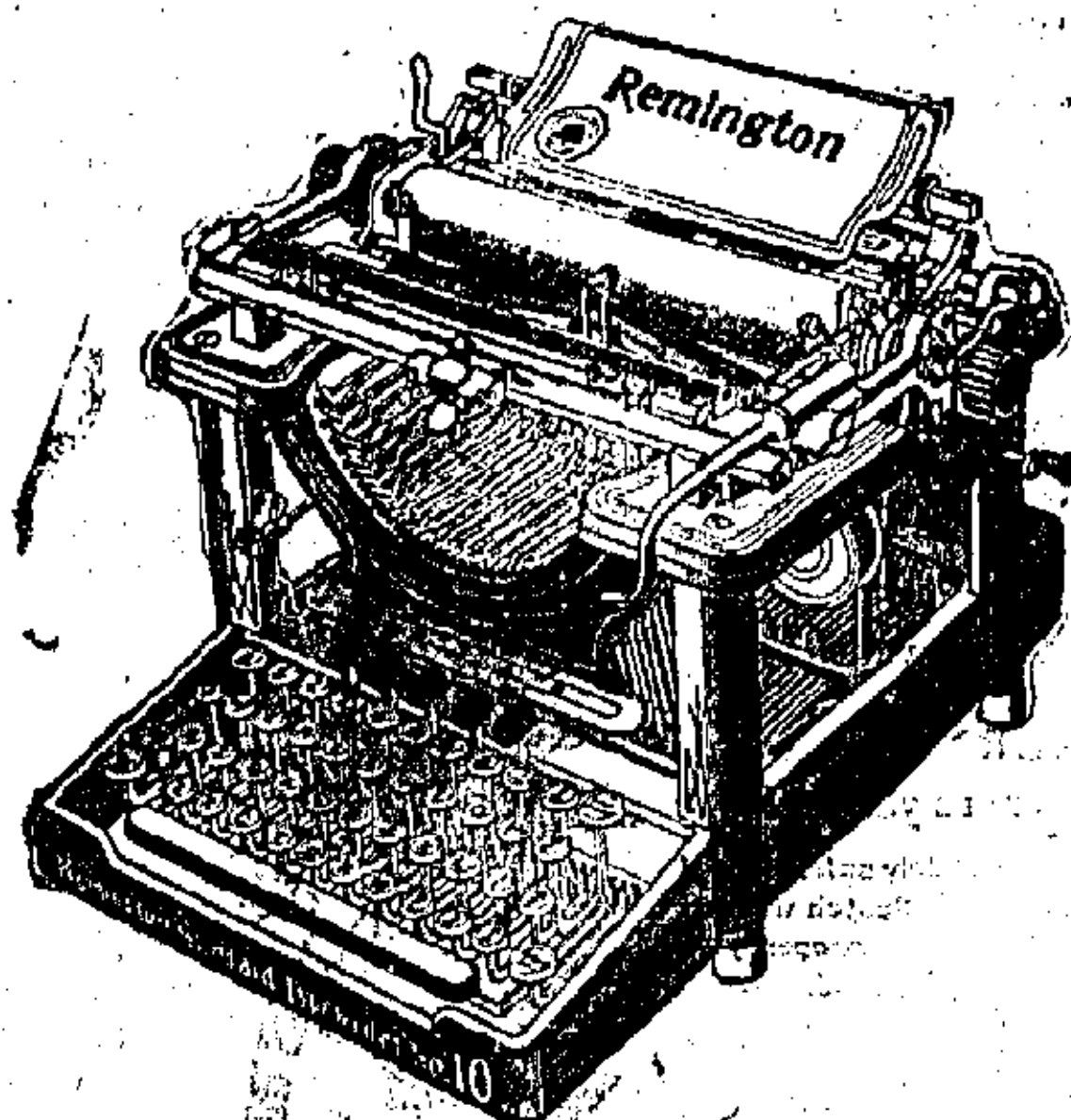
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THE PATH OF A HUNDRED DEATHS.

BY GUY THORNE
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Once more the light flashed into his cell, this time, however, remaining only for a single second. It flashed, and passed, and then, in a second more re-appeared again, this time pouring in its radiance for full three seconds.

He sat up on his mattress, and the light began to flash in and out of the darkness at intervals which had something of regularity and method in them.

"It is the Morse code," he said to himself. "How well I used to know it. Old Jim Morduant and I used to signal to each other in the Cadet Corps at Eton with the heliograph. We were experts at it, I remember, and we had our own private code."

A shudder at the memory went through him—the memory of those far-off, happy days when he was young and free.

Then, as the light went on flashing, disappearing, and flashing again, his mind, so long destitute of outside interests, began to stir and move, and what they are signalling, he said, and bent all his energies to it.

He noticed that for two or three minutes the flashes preserved a regular order. For ten seconds or so they flashed out some word, then there was an interval of darkness for six or seven seconds, and exactly the same signal by the dot and dash Morse-system was repeated.

Again and again it was repeated, but he could make nothing of it.

"My mind is going," he said, "it is quite plain, two short flashes, that means E. Short and long that is A. Two long, that is G. Of course they are signalling in cypher, and that is the reason I cannot understand."

He was sinking down wearily upon his hand bed, when suddenly a thought came into his mind, he could not in the least have explained how or why, which sent the blood racing through his veins, and made the arteries at his temples throb and beat like little drums. Breathless, with wide open eyes he stared into the dark.

Once more the flashes came. Trembling with eagerness and suspense he counted them, and then gave a great groan of excitement.

He could read the message now. He could read one word of it at least—the word that had been puzzling him for so long.

The word was "Arthur." The code was the old secret code he and Jim Morduant had used at Eton.

Again it came. Three times more. A.A.A.

Every nerve tingling, with every muscle tense, he waited. Then, swiftly, he knew he was right, for the next word which flashed into the cell, flashed hope, for it was "Hughes."

Immediately he realised, or guessed, what was happening. The Jim Morduant of his school days, was a major in the Royal Engineers. He was married to Mary, the elder sister of Muriel Tracey, to whom Arthur, himself, had been engaged at the time of his conviction.

Major Morduant was out there upon the Moor. He was signalling a message to the captive. Somehow or other he had found out the location of Arthur's cell.

Arthur Hughes, I am Jim Morduant. For three months your escape has been planned. Every detail now complete. Organization perfect. We are going to clear you. To-morrow you are to be transferred with other prisoners to Parkhurst Prison, Isle of Wight. You will be, all going well, rescued at Marsh-moor Station. Do not be frightened by anything that happens, but obey implicitly orders of men who will come to you. If you see me show absolutely no recognition. Cannot explain method, but keep absolutely cool, everything depends on that. God bless you. Muriel sends love. All being well you will be with her to-morrow. Good-night, Jim."

The cell now seemed a thousand times darker than before to the actual eye of the prisoner. The heat was more intense than ever, and far away there was a long rumble of distant thunder.

But the cell was not the same cell. Into that living tomb had come an unseen presence before which the massive walls, the locks and bars seemed to dissolve away, and disappear.

Hope stood beside the squalid bed. Hope was in that fainting tortured heart.

The long window, high up in the wall of the cell, became a faint grey patch. The grey became white, as dawn stole into the cell. White became tinged with colour as the sun rose, and through the thick ground glass came a yellow radiance which showed the world was awake.

Arthur Hughes had lain perfectly still during the whole of the night. He had tried to empty his mind of thought, to keep his nerves in rigid control; as to what was going to happen to him he refused to think.

He was to obey orders, that was all. One thing was quite obvious, that on such a desperate venture, a major, high up in the Service, would leave nothing to chance. There must be a complete and careful organization, which alone made it possible for such an abnormal and desperate attempt as this.

He knew Major Morduant as well as if he had been his brother. He was certain that that cool head and capable brain was confident of success. And there must be others behind him. Morduant was rich. Arthur Hughes, himself, was rich. His father, the wealthy solicitor, had died five months after his son's conviction, heart-broken by the disgrace of it. Arthur had had an interview with the family's solicitors, and knew that if he survived his imprisonment, he would be wealthy upon his release. He came of a wealthy and distinguished family.

Even this speculation he pushed from his mind as he watched the sunlight come into his cell.

At six o'clock the great iron bell of the prison began to toll. Mechanically, as he had done for unnumbered days, the convict rose. He washed, rolled up his bedding, and placed it in the exact spot where it must stand. At half-past six there was a tread of feet, a harsh jangle of keys, the door of his cell was opened, a convict orderly brought soap and scrubbing brush, and a pail of water, and he began to clean out his cell. A little after seven the door was opened again, and the chief warder entered with a paper in his hand.

"You are to be transferred, B50," he said, in his hard, routine voice, "to Parkhurst Prison in the Isle of Wight." B50 stood at attention and saluted.

"Yes, sir," he said. "Something a little more human came into the face of the burly, bearded man. 'Well,' he said, 'you will have an easier time before than you have had here, as I daresay you know. I understand your conduct has been exemplary while you have been here. Keep it up at Parkhurst, and your time will seem much shorter. I understand that your relatives are influential and wealthy people, and I should not wonder if you might get a remission if you behave yourself.'"

He nodded, not unkindly, and once more the cell door was closed.

At half-past nine, a gang of convicts, chained together by the wrists, mounted a big, two-horse-drawn wagonette, and were driven out of the huge gateway, with its flanking towers, down towards the little village, and the station.

Arthur Hughes was an end man. A locked steel bracelet was on his left wrist, and a thin, tough chain of steel, a yard or more long, went from it to a similar bracelet upon the next convict.

The wagonette was an open one, and as it drove over the Moor, with its armed guards, the wretched outcast men, in their yellow suits, started with crooked, black arrows, showed but little interest.

The day was dark and lowering. It mattered little to them in what hell they went, their doom was in their mind. Only B50 was awake, and alert in mind.

He had never been more strung up, more tensely alive in any moment of his life before. Every nerve was quivering, every object upon which his eyes fell, he saw with unnatural clearness—the sharp, hard distinctness of a stereoscopic lens.

It was only with the greatest physical and mental effort that he kept motionless upon the hard seat, and betrayed nothing of the storm and riot of sensations within. The wagonette drove up outside the station. The guards dismounted, and then the prisoners shuffled awkwardly out of the vehicle.

B50 looked round him with quick, eager scrutiny. His spirits began to sink within him, quickly, sadly, like water falling through a tube; there was nobody outside the station except a porter, and a couple of men, taking milk cans from a farmer's cart, and these only gave a casual glance at the miserable convict's brigade.

The sight of them, and such as they, was too common at Marshmoor to excite anything but the most passing interest.

There was a harsh word of command, and the convicts tramped into the booking-office, and were ranged in line at one end of it. One warder stood by them, while the chief warder and another went to the booking window, and proceeded to fill up a yellow, official looking paper.

From a clock over the little ticket window Arthur Hughes could see it was now a quarter-past ten. The train which was to take them away was due in at the little station at twenty-five minutes past the hour. This Hughes had gathered from the conversation of the warders.

Suddenly, he heard something, and very far away it seemed, growing nearer, and louder, each second, a regular, beating tramp sound, as of a body of men in ordered movement. It grew louder and louder, and mingled with it came the tink, and clink, of accoutrements and arms. There was a loud order, a crunching of heavily shod feet upon the gravel approach outside, and in single file a squad of khaki-clad soldiers in marching order came tramping through the booking-office and passed out on the platform beyond. About thirty of them had passed through when a young subaltern officer entered, carrying his sword under his arm, and marching straight at the side. Another string of waiting figures, and then at the end of them, two or three yards from the last man came a tall, soldierly figure, which Arthur Hughes knew very well.

It was Captain Morduant, Arthur's old school fellow at Eton, the husband of Muriel's sister, the man who had flashed the message through the dark space of night.

Captain Morduant gave a half glance at the convicts, walked on, and disappeared upon the platform, and his attendant had returned to the booking-office, and stood a yard or two away from the convicts chatting to each other.

"Royal Engineers," said the chief. "They are going on by our train, a few stations down the line. That was Captain Morduant in command. They say he is the finest swordsman in the Army."

Arthur stood perfectly still, his eyes half closed, and his heart beating as a madman beats upon a drum—waiting, waiting.

He heard in the distance the roar of an advancing train. Then nearer, and just outside the station came the thrashing of a motor car, and the jar as it pulled up. In a second or two more, a little party of three hurried into the waiting place. One was a tall, elderly clergyman, with a long grey beard, another a man, with a long grey beard, another a youngish, clean-shaven man, in light tweeds, the third a lady—a tall, handsome young matron, in a summer blouse, and a simple sailor hat—it was Mrs. Morduant, Muriel's sister.

They clustered round the ticket window and outside, on the platform the train clanked in, and drew up with a hiss of escaping steam.

The chief warder drew himself up, surveyed his charges, opened his mouth to give an order—the order was never given.

Even as he did so, there was a sudden, deafening clap, and roar, as of a mighty explosion, followed by wild shouts of

alarm, and a hissing roar, like that of a tornado.

In a second, from the door leading on to the platform—something huge, black, amorphous, pressed into the waiting room. There was another small explosion, seeming to take place in the room itself, and only a few yards away from the convicts, and then, the whole material world was blotted out in black, impenetrable darkness.

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Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD and DOUGLAS, at 10 A.M. on MONDAYS and THURSDAYS. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

H. W. D. SHALLARD,
Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1912.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"DEVANHA,"

Arrived Hongkong on 3rd July, 1912.

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at THEIR RISK in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co.'s Godowns at Kowloon, where each Consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—
From London, &c., ex s.s. "Malta."

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary within 6 hours.

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Hongkong, 3rd July, 1912.

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PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS	ANAYE	Noon, 6th July.	See Special of Call.
LONDON and ANTWERP	SIMLA	3 P.M., 10th July.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI	DELTA	About 18th July.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	CANDIA	About 21st July.	Freight only.

For Further Particulars apply to

H. W. D. SHALLARD,
Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 5th July, 1912

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	"ANHUI"	On 6th July, 4 P.M.
MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	"TEAN"	On 9th July, 4 P.M.
HAIPHONG	"SINGAN"	On 10th July, 9 A.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	On 11th July, 4 P.M.
SWATOW, TSINGTAU, WEIHAI, WEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"KURIOHOU"	On 12th July, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	On 13th July, 4 P.M.
MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	"KAIFONG"	On 16th July, 4 P.M.

IN CONJUNCTION WITH AUSTRALIAN ORIENTAL LINE.

MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, and MELBOURNE.

DIRECT SAILINGS TO WEST RIVER, Twice Weekly.

S.S. "LINTAN" and S.S. "SANJUI" have superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the State-rooms. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried. REDUCED FARES, Cargo booked through for all Australian, New Zealand and Tasmanian Ports.

MANILA LINE—TWIN SCREW STEAMERS "TEAN" and "TAMING," Saloon accommodation Ample; Electric Fans fitted; Extra State-rooms on Deck aft. Saloon accommodation of S.S. "KAIFONG" is situated on Deck aft; Electric Fans fitted.

SHANGHAI LINE—FAST SCHEDULE TWIN SCREW STEAMERS "CANHUI," "CHENAN," "CHINHUA" and "LINAN" with excellent accommodation, Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the State-rooms and Dining Saloon, leaving Hongkong for Shanghai direct every Thursday and Sunday, taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

N.B.—Passengers must embark before midnight on SATURDAY, for the SUNDAY morning sailings. A Co.'s launch leaves Murray Pier at 10 o'clock every SATURDAY Night.

These Steamers Land Passengers in Shanghai, avoiding the inconvenience of the transshipment at Wusung.

REDUCED FARES.—SINGLE \$45.....RETURN \$75.

NEW SERVICE.—SHANGHAI to ANTUNG sailings on alternate Wednesdays.

For Freight or Passage apply to—**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.** [8-55]

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

IN CONJUNCTION WITH

DEUTSCHE DAMPSCHIFFFAHRTS GESELLSCHAFT "HANSA."

Regular Sailings from JAPAN, CHINA and PHILIPPINES,

via STRAITS and COLOMBO,

to MARSEILLES, HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG and to NEW YORK.

TAKING Cargo at Through Rates to all European, North Continental and British Ports, also Trieste, Lisbon, Oporto, Marseilles, Genoa, and other Mediterranean, Levantine, Black Baltic Sea and Ports, and all North and South American Ports.

NEXT SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG:

OUTWARD.

HOMEWARD.

For SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA:	For MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG:
S.S. GOLDENFELS ... 18th July.	S.S. SEGOVIA ... 14th July.
S.S. SUBVIA ... 1st August.	For ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & ANTWERP:
S.S. KURMARK ... 15th August.	S.S. BRASILIA ... 15th July.
S.S. O. T. D. AHLERS ... 22nd August.	For HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG:
S.S. C. FERD. LAEISZ ... 12th Sept.	S.S. SAMBIA ... 24th July.
	For MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG:
	S.S. SILEZIA ... 7th August.

For Further Particulars, apply to—

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.

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THE EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

MAIL SERVICE TO AUSTRALIA.

MAIL SCHEDULE
(SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION).

STEAMERS	ARRIVE HONGKONG FROM AUSTRALIA	LEAVE HONGKONG FOR AUSTRALIA
ST. ALBANS ...		On 23rd July, at Noon

The above Steamers are fitted with Refrigerating Machinery, ensuring a plentiful supply of Ice, Fresh Provisions, etc., and are lighted throughout with Electricity. All State-rooms have Electric Fans. A duly qualified Doctor and Stewards are carried. For further particulars apply to

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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LD.

HONGKONG-SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS

HIGHEST Class, Fastest and Most Luxurious Steamers on the Coast, having Splendid Accommodation for First Class Passengers. Electric Light. Excellent Cuisine.

FOR
SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW
AND RETURN.

(Occupying 9 to 10 Days).

STEAMSHIP	CAPTAIN	LEAVING
"HAIYAN"	Capt. J. S. Roach	SATURDAY, 6th July, at 2 P.M.
"HAIYANG"	Capt. A. E. Hodgins	TUESDAY, 9th July, at 11 A.M.
"HAIYING"	Capt. W. C. Passmore	FRIDAY, 12th July, at 11 A.M.

Call at Swatow for Passengers only.

For **SWATOW** AND RETURN.

(Occupying 3 Days).

"HAIYUN" ... Capt. J. W. Evans ... (SUNDAY, 7th July, at 10 A.M. ... (WEDNESDAY, 10th July, at 11 A.M. ... Steamers will arrive at and Depart from the Company's Wharf (near Race Point) during the month of July—Return Tickets available for three months will be issued at a Reduction of 20 per cent. on the usual rate to Fochow.

For Freight and Passage, apply to—

DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & Co., GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 4th July, 1912.

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TOYO KISEN KAISHA.IMPERIAL JAPANESE
TRANS-PACIFIC MAIL LINES.

SAN FRANCISCO LINE.

Operating the THREE TRIPLE SCREW TURBINE Steamers

**CHIYO MARU, SHINYO MARU
TENYO MARU.**

Speed 21 KNOTS, Displacement 21,000 TONS.

and the TWIN SCREW S.S.

"NIPPON MARU,"

INTERMEDIATE STEAMER.

Speed 18 KNOTS, Displacement 11,000 TONS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

STEAMER	CAPTAIN	DATE OF SAILING
CHIYO MARU	W. W. Greene	TUESDAY, 23rd July, Noon.
NIPPON MARU	A. G. Stevens	TUESDAY, 13th Aug., at Noon.
TENYO MARU	E. Bent	TUESDAY, 20th Aug., at Noon.
SHINYO MARU	H. S. Smith	TUESDAY, 10th Sept., at Noon.

THE S.S. "CHIYO MARU" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO via KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, YOKO-HAMA and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 23rd July, at Noon.

SOUTH AMERICA LINE.

(In Connection with the NATIONAL RAILWAYS of MEXICO at MANZANILLO and the TEHUANTEPEC NATIONAL RAILWAY at SALINA CRUZ.)

The Only Regular Direct Service to MEXICAN, CHILIAN and PERUVIAN PORTS.

The Steamers—

BUYO MARU, HONGKONG MARU and KIYO MARU

Ply between HONGKONG and CORONEL via MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU, MANZANILLO, SALINA CRUZ, CALLAO, ARIKA, IQUIQUE and VALPARAISO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

STEAMER	TONS	DATE OF SAILING
KIYO MARU	17,500	TUESDAY, 6th Aug., Noon.
BUYO MARU	10,500	FRIDAY, 4th Oct., at Noon.
HONGKONG MARU	11,000	TUESDAY, 3rd Dec., at Noon.

ALL STEAMERS are equipped with JAPANESE GOVERNMENT WIRELESS TELEGRAPH APPARATUS and POST OFFICES.

SPECIAL RATES.—To OFFICERS of the ARMY and NAVY, members of the CIVIL and CONSULAR SERVICES, and to MISSIONARIES.

Through bookings to all important points and AROUND THE WORLD.

For Full Particulars as to Passage and Freight, apply to

S. MORIMOTO, AGENT,

King's Building (Opposite Blake Pier).

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OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

REGULAR SERVICES, PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(Subject to Alteration).

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

Connecting at TACOMA with

THE CHICAGO, MILWAUKEE and PUGET SOUND RAILWAY

AND

THE CHICAGO, MILWAUKEE and ST. PAUL RAILWAY

(The only direct train service, without transshipment, also shortest and fastest route, from the Pacific Coast to Chicago). Taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Overland Common Points in the U.S.A. and Canada, also to the principal ports in Mexico, Central and South America.

FOR	STEAMERS	Tons (Gross reg.)	LEAVES
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA via KEELUNG, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, AND YOKOHAMA	"TACOMA MARU"	6,178	THURSDAY, 18th July, at 1 P.M.
	"SEATTLE MARU"	6,182	THURSDAY, 8th Aug., at 1 P.M.
	"CHICAGO MARU"	6,182	TUESDAY, 3rd Sept., at 1 P.M.
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA via KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, AND YOKOHAMA	"PANAMA MARU"	6,059	TUESDAY, 23rd July, at 1 P.M.
	"MEXICO MARU"	6,064	SATURDAY, 17th Aug., at 1 P.M.
	"CANADA MARU"	6,064	TUESDAY, 17th Sept., at 1 P.M.

O. S. K. has made the following revision on 1st class passage to Victoria, Tacoma, Seattle Vancouver, Portland, and San Francisco:—

From Manila	... G. \$130.00
From Hongkong, Shanghai and Keelung	... G. \$110.00
From Nagasaki, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama	... G. \$ 95.00
1st class passage from Hongkong to Victoria, Tacoma, Seattle, Vancouver, Portland and San Francisco	... G. 110.00

The Co.'s Newly Built Steamers have fair speed. Superior accommodation for steerage Passengers, situated AMIDSHIP. A limited number of Cabin Passengers carried at Low Rates. Best adapted rooms for carrying Silk, Treasure and Parcels. Special attention given toward Express connection.

HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS & FORMOSA SERVICE

FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVES
TAMSUI via SWATOW and AMOY	"DAIJIN MARU"	SUNDAY, 7th July, at Noon.
ANPING via SWATOW and AMOY	"SOSHU MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 10th July, at 10 A.M.

For information of Freight, Passages, Sailings, etc., apply at the Co.'s Local Branch Office, at Second Floor, No. 1, Queen's Buildings.

S. HIROI, MANAGER.

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MESSAGERIES MARITIMES, AGENTS.

MAIL SERVICE TO AND FROM

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in 58 hours.

S.S. "SI-KIANG," Capt. E. de Catalano.

(1ST AND 2ND CLASSES) will leave Hongkong for

KWANG CHOW WANG AND HAIPHONG,

on WEDNESDAY, the 17th July, 1912, at 9 A.M.

For Passages and Freight apply to

P. THOMAS, N.M. Co.'s AGENT.

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NIPPONYUSEN KAISHA

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.)

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATIONS	STEAMERS	TONS	SAILING DATE
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, SUEZ and PORT SAID	TANGO MARU	8,900	WEDNESDAY, 17th July, at Daylight.
	KAMO MARU	9,000	WEDNESDAY, 31st July, at Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE via KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, SHIMIZU and YOKOHAMA	AWA MARU	7,000	TUESDAY, 16th July, at 4 P.M.
	SADO MARU	7,000	TUESDAY, 30th July, at 4 P.M.
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	YAWATA MARU	5,000	FRIDAY, 2nd Aug., at Noon.
	NIKKO MARU	6,000	FRIDAY, 30th Aug., at Noon.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, and COLOMBO	WAKASA MARU	7,000	MONDAY, 4th July.
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	MISHIMA MARU	9,000	WEDNESDAY, 17th July, at 5 P.M.
SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE	KAWACHI MARU	7,000	WEDNESDAY, 17th July.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	NIKKO MARU	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 31st July, at Noon.
KOBE	CEYLON MARU	6,000	MONDAY, 8th July.

Fitted with New System of Wireless Telegraphy.

Cargo only

NEW LINE OF STEAMERS

BETWEEN

KOBE & CALCUTTA.

REGULAR FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE

FROM KOBE TO CALCUTTA, CALLING AT HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PENANG AND RANGOON.

The next steamer from Hongkong:—

"TOTOMI MARU," 4,000 tons, Capt. Kawashima, Saturday, 13th July.

REDUCED SUMMER RATES

BETWEEN

HONGKONG AND JAPAN PORTS.

Commencing 1st June, ending 30th September, 1912.

SPECIAL EXCURSION TICKETS (1st and 2nd Class), available for 3 Months.

Yokohama Return. Kobe Return. Moji Return. Nagasaki Return.

1st Class	\$135	\$122	\$108	\$95
2nd "	\$ 81	\$ 75	\$ 65	\$ 57

With option of Rail between Steamer's Calling Ports in Japan.

For Further Information as to Freight, Sailing, etc., apply to—

T. KUSUMOTO, MANAGER.

TELEPHONE NOS. 292 and 1241.

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PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS

MARSEILLES AND LONDON

TAKING PASSENGERS & SO FOR

COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c.

THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

STEAMERS	Leave	Connecting Steamers	Due	Due		
to	HONGKONG	from COLOMBO to	MARSEILLES	PLYMOUTH		
COLOMBO		MARSEILLES & LONDON	(Brindisi 2 days earlier)	(London 1 day later)		
Steamer	Tons	Noon, SATURDAY	Steamer	Tons	SUNDAY	SATURDAY
ASSAYE	7500	July 6	MAEMORA	10500	Aug. 4	Aug. 10
DEVANHA	8000	July 20	MOLDAVIA	10000	Aug. 18	Aug. 24
DELTA	8000	August 3	MALAJA	12500	Sept. 1	Sept. 7
INDIA	8000	August 17	MONGOLIA	10000	Sept. 15	Sept. 21
ARCADIA	7000	August 31	MEDINA	12500	SATURDAY	FRIDAY
ASSAYE	7500	September 14	MALWA	11000	Sept. 23	Oct. 4
DEVANHA	8000	September 28	MOOLTAN	10000	Oct. 12	Oct. 18
INDIA	8000	October 12	MACEDONIA	10500	Oct. 25	Nov. 1
DELTA	8000	October 26	MOREA	11000	Nov. 9	Nov. 15
					Nov. 23	Nov. 29

Passengers change Steamers at COLOMBO, and those for BRINDISI transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at PORT SAID.

Accommodation in the connecting Steamer from COLOMBO is definitely reserved in Hongkong at the time of Booking.

FARES TO LONDON:

1st SALOON £71.10 SINGLE £106.14 RETURN.

2nd " £48.8 " £72.12 "

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE MAIL STEAMERS

INTERMEDIATE (NON-TRANSHIPMENT) STEAMERS WILL LEAVE FOR

LONDON

CARRYING 1ST AND 2ND SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES

Proposed Sailings:

STEAMERS	Leave HONGKONG	Due LONDON
	Tonnage	about
SIMLA	6000	July
NUBIA	6000	September
SARDINIA	7000	September

These Steamers call also at SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, and at MARSEILLES.

FARES TO LONDON:

1st SALOON £53.0 SINGLE £82.10 RETURN.

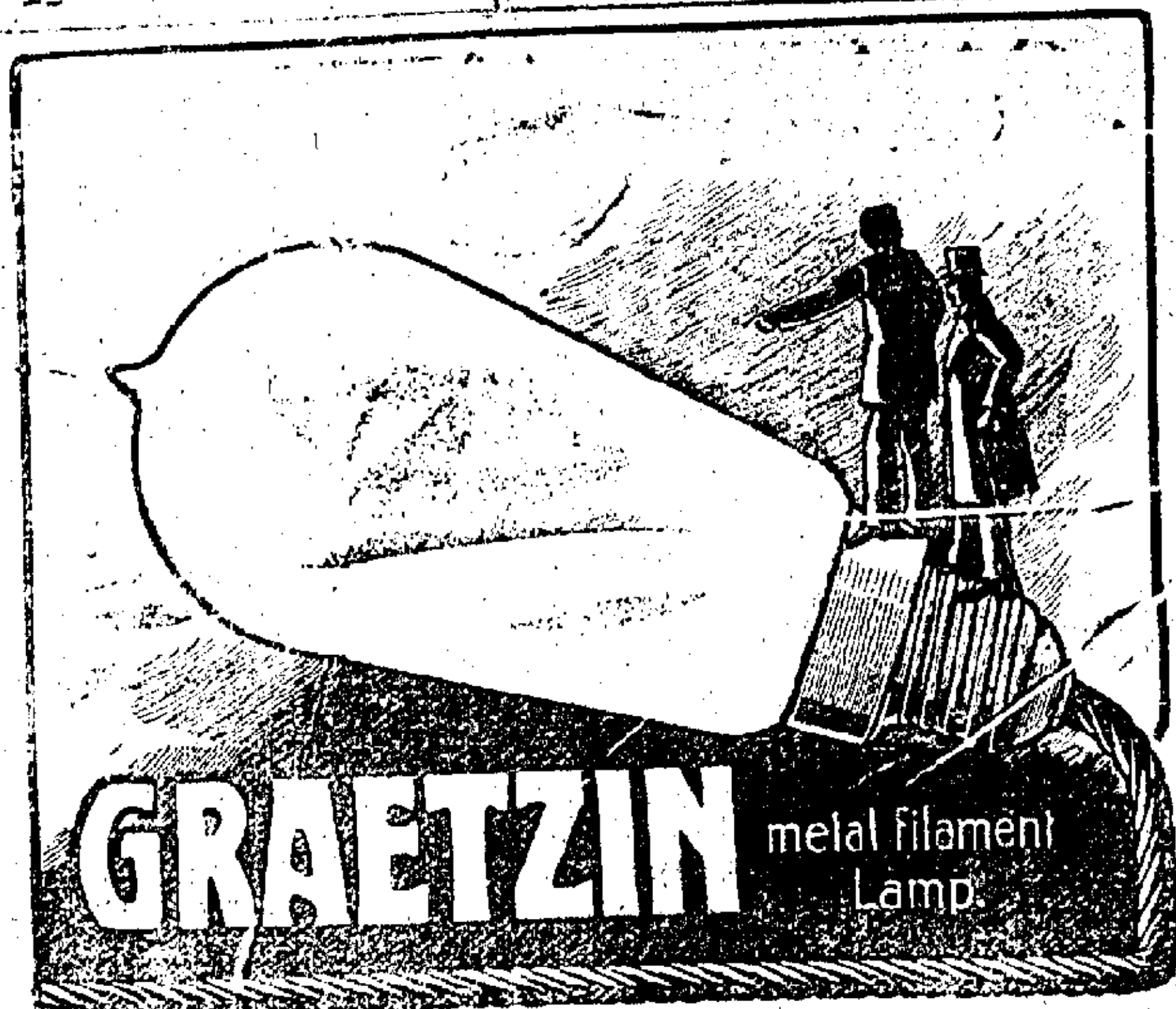
2nd " £31.0 " £57.4 "

For further Particulars, apply to—

H. W. D. SHALLARD,

ACTING SUPERINTENDENT.

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GRAETZIN metal filament Lamp

REDUCED PRICE:

75 cents

for 16, 25, 32 and 50 C.P.

REBATES TO RETAILERS.

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HONGKONG, 4, QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, TEL. NO. 960.

Hongkong, 5th July, 1912.



FELT-HATS

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Are very much appreciated and well-known.

Stock CARGO Kept.

SAMPLES may be seen at:

HUGO C. A. FROMM,

General Agent for Hongkong and China:

Hongkong, 5th July, 1912.



OBTAINABLE FROM—

THE SINCERE CO., LTD.,

SUB-AGENT FOR HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 5th July, 1912.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

* Only fully prepaid Letters and Post Cards are transmissible by the SIBERIAN ROUTE TO EUROPE.

Letters for this route should be superscribed via SIBERIA.

FOR	PER	DATE
Philippine Islands	Dencluch	Saturday, 6th, 10.00 A.M.
SWAITS, BURMAH, CEYLON, ADELAIDE, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, SOYPT and EUROPE via BRINDISI		Saturday, 6th, 10.00 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.00 to NOON. Extra Postage 10 cents)		
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail)		
Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haitan	Saturday, 6th, 1.00 P.M.
Philippine Islands	Loonawang	Saturday, 6th, 1.00 P.M.
Macao	Sui Tai	Saturday, 6th, 1.15 P.M.
Japan via Moji	Yuan Mao	Saturday, 6th, 5.00 P.M.
Saigon	Morie	Saturday, 6th, 5.00 P.M.
Shanghai and North China	Anhui	Saturday, 6th, 5.00 P.M.
Holchow, Haiphong and Pakhoi	Carl Diederichsen	Saturday, 6th, 5.00 P.M.
Norowang and Gheco	Fra	Saturday, 6th, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui	Daijin Maru	Sunday, 7th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow	Haimun	Sunday, 7th, 9.00 A.M.
Straits and India via Calcutta	Japan	Sunday, 7th, 9.00 A.M.
Japan via Yokohama	Pakhoi	Monday, 8th, 1.15 P.M.
Macao	Sui Tai	Monday, 8th, 1.15 P.M.
Batavia, Samarang and Sourabaya	Typhoon	Monday, 8th, 2.00 P.M.
Straits and India via Calcutta	Muttra	Monday, 8th, 4.00 P.M.
Philippine Islands, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand	Guthrie	Tuesday, 9th, 10.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haitan	Tuesday, 9th, 10.00 A.M.
Japan via Yokohama	Kumsan g	Tuesday, 9th, 10.00 A.M.
SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA, JAPAN, HONOLULU, UNITED STATES, CANADA, and SOUTH AMERICA via SAN FRANCISCO (EUROPE via SIBERIA)	China	Tuesday, 9th, 10.00 A.M.
		Registration... 10.15 A.M.
		(Registration with late fee of 10 cents, up to 11.00 A.M.)
		Registration... Kowloon B.O. 9.30 A.M.
		No late fee
		Letters... 11.00 A.M.
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